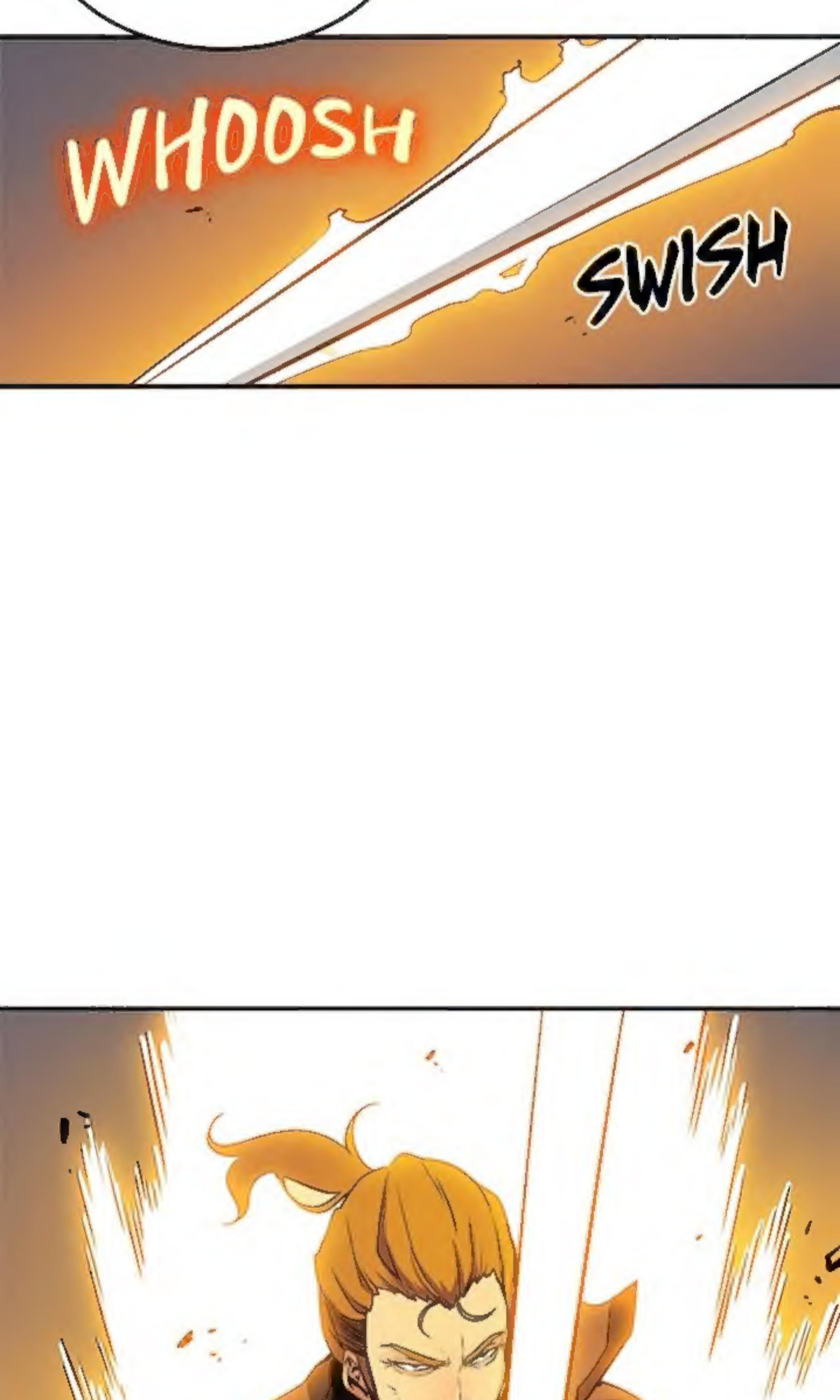




A STRENGTH
BUFF FOR A MAGE
IS A USELESS SKILL,
SINCE IT ONLY DRAINS
THEIR ENERGY,
BUT...



...RIGHT NOW...

WHOOSH

SWISH



FWOOSH

...I'M A
SWORDSMAN.

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BECAUSE I'M A

MAGE, I HAVE LOWER

STRENGTH, HEALTH, AND

AGILITY STATS THAN THIS GUY.

I HAVE TO BE AWARE OF MY

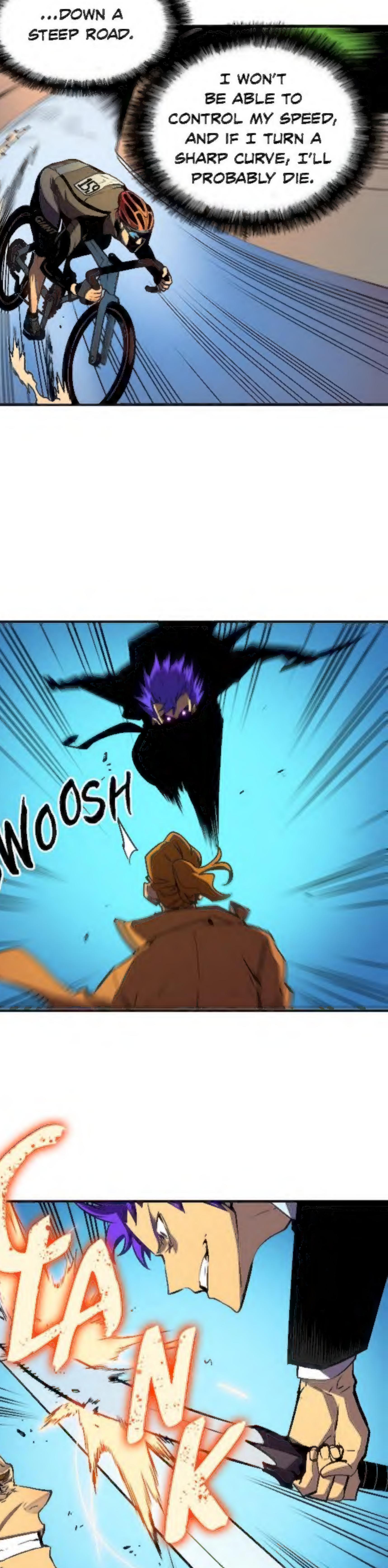
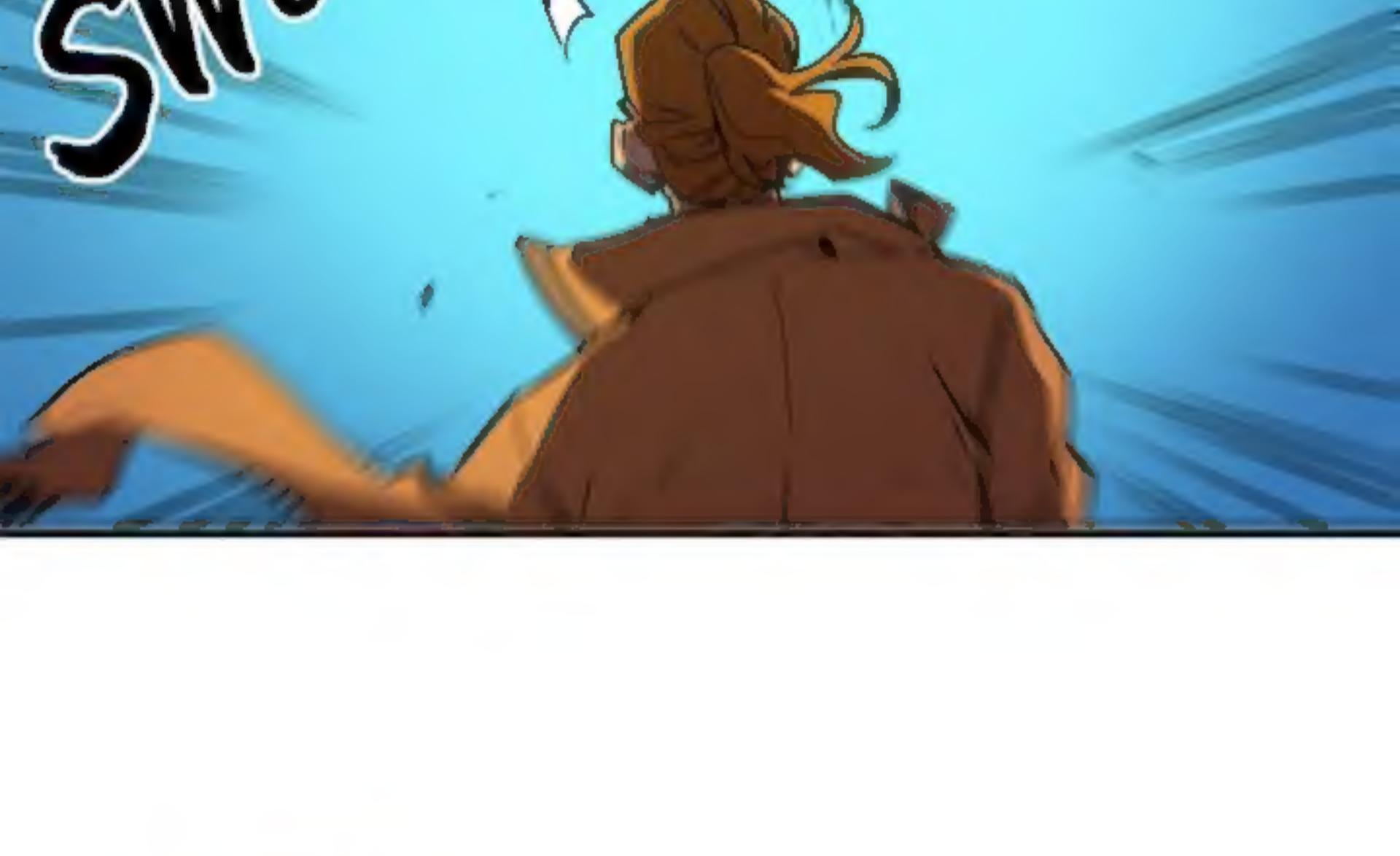
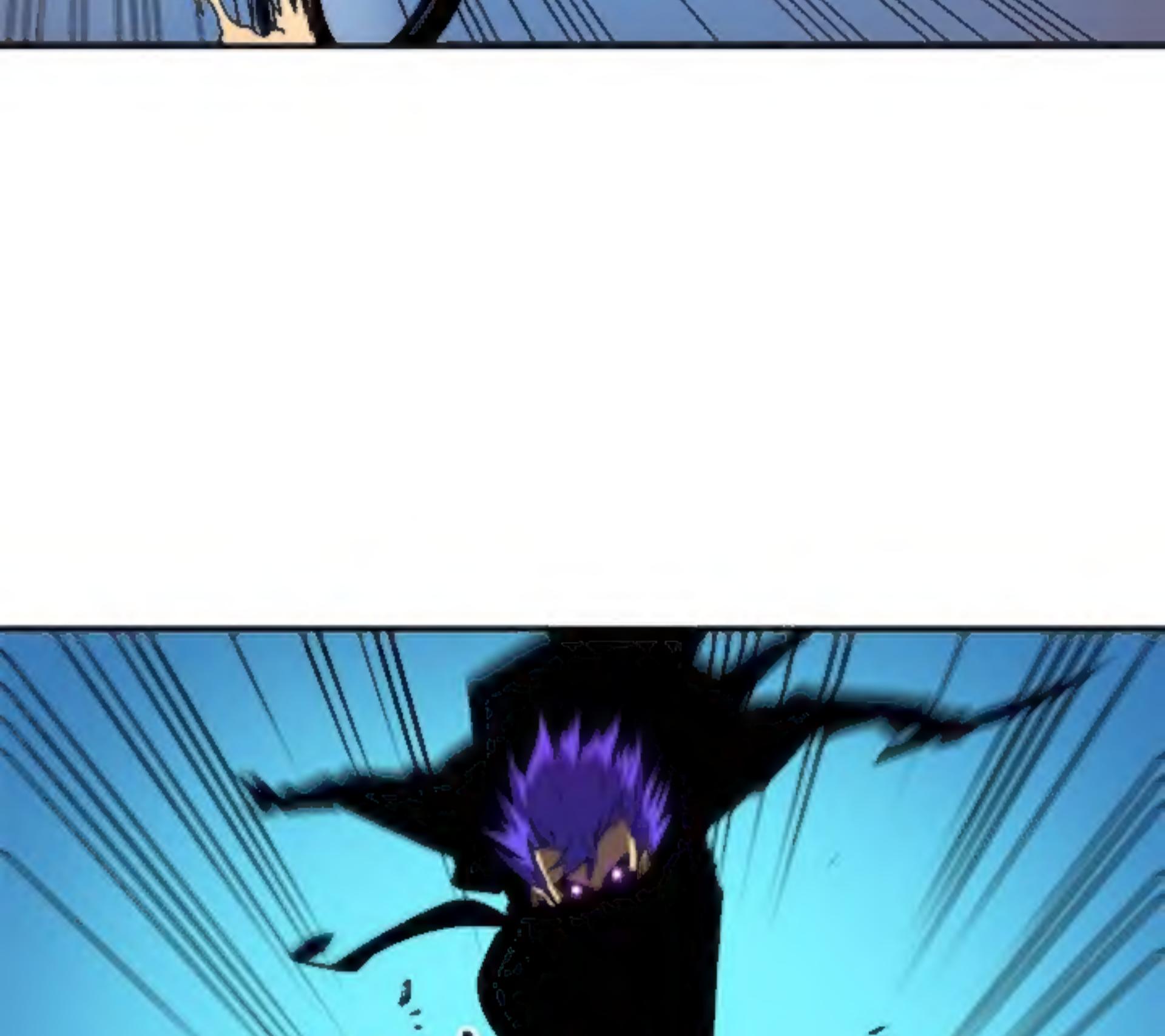
DISADVANTAGES BEFORE

ATTACKING.

EVEN IF JOOHEE GIVES
ME PROTECTION, IT'LL BE
LIKE PEDALING AWAY ON A
BIKE THAT WAS GIVEN A
CAR ENGINE...

...DOWN A
STEEP ROAD.

I WON'T
BE ABLE TO
CONTROL MY SPEED,
AND IF I TURN A
SHARP CURVE, I'LL
PROBABLY DIE.



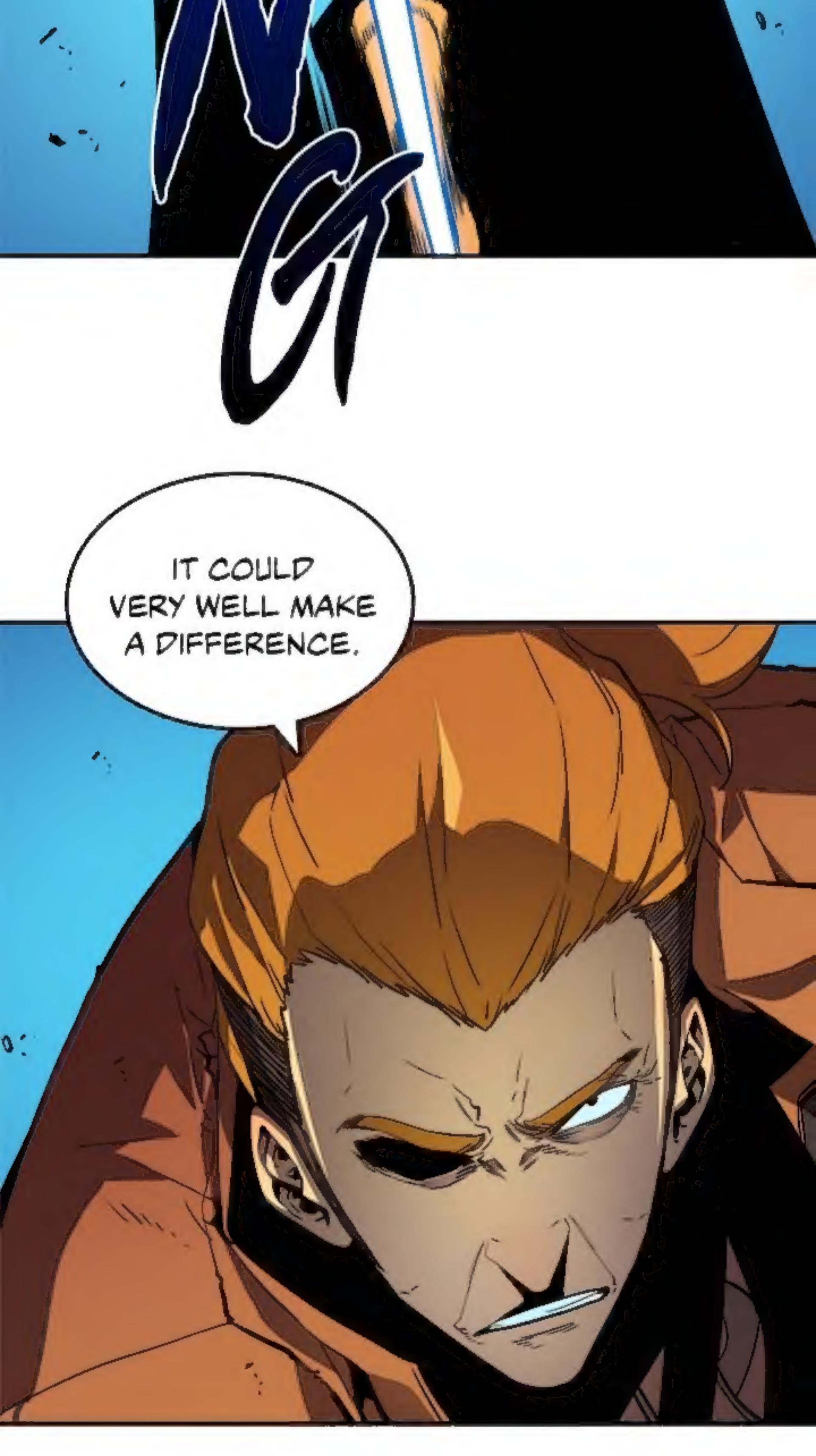


OPTING FOR
A SWORD WAS
PROBABLY A GOOD
CHOICE.

BUT IN THE
END, YOU'RE STILL
JUST A MAGE.

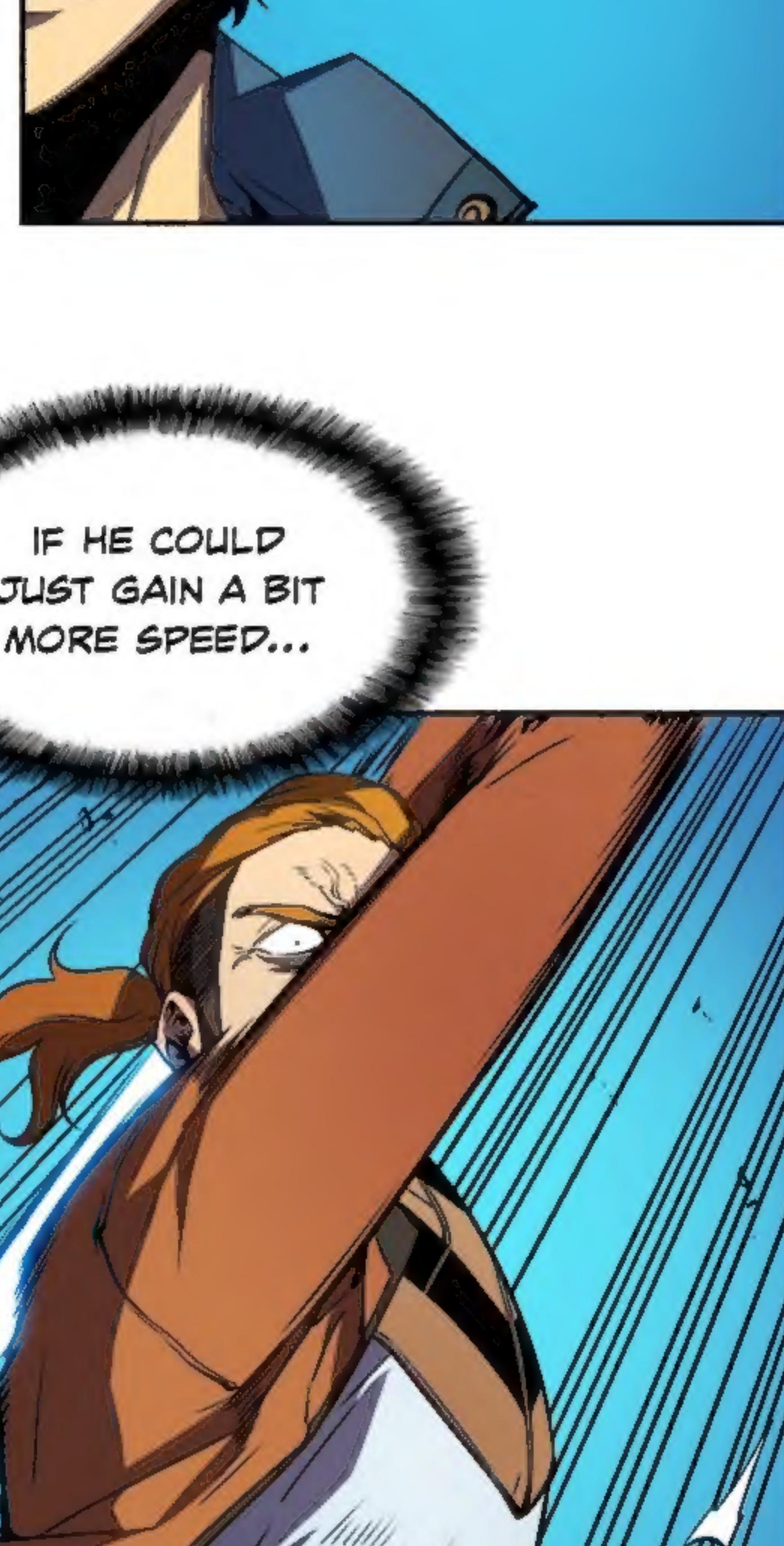
YOUR PHYSICAL
ABILITIES ARE BARELY
EVEN D-RANK, SO HOW
WOULD WIELDING A
SWORD MAKE ANY
DIFFERENCE?







ALTHOUGH IT WAS
FOR JUST A SPLIT
SECOND, MR. SONG
CAUGHT UP WITH
HIM.



IF HE COULD
JUST GAIN A BIT
MORE SPEED...

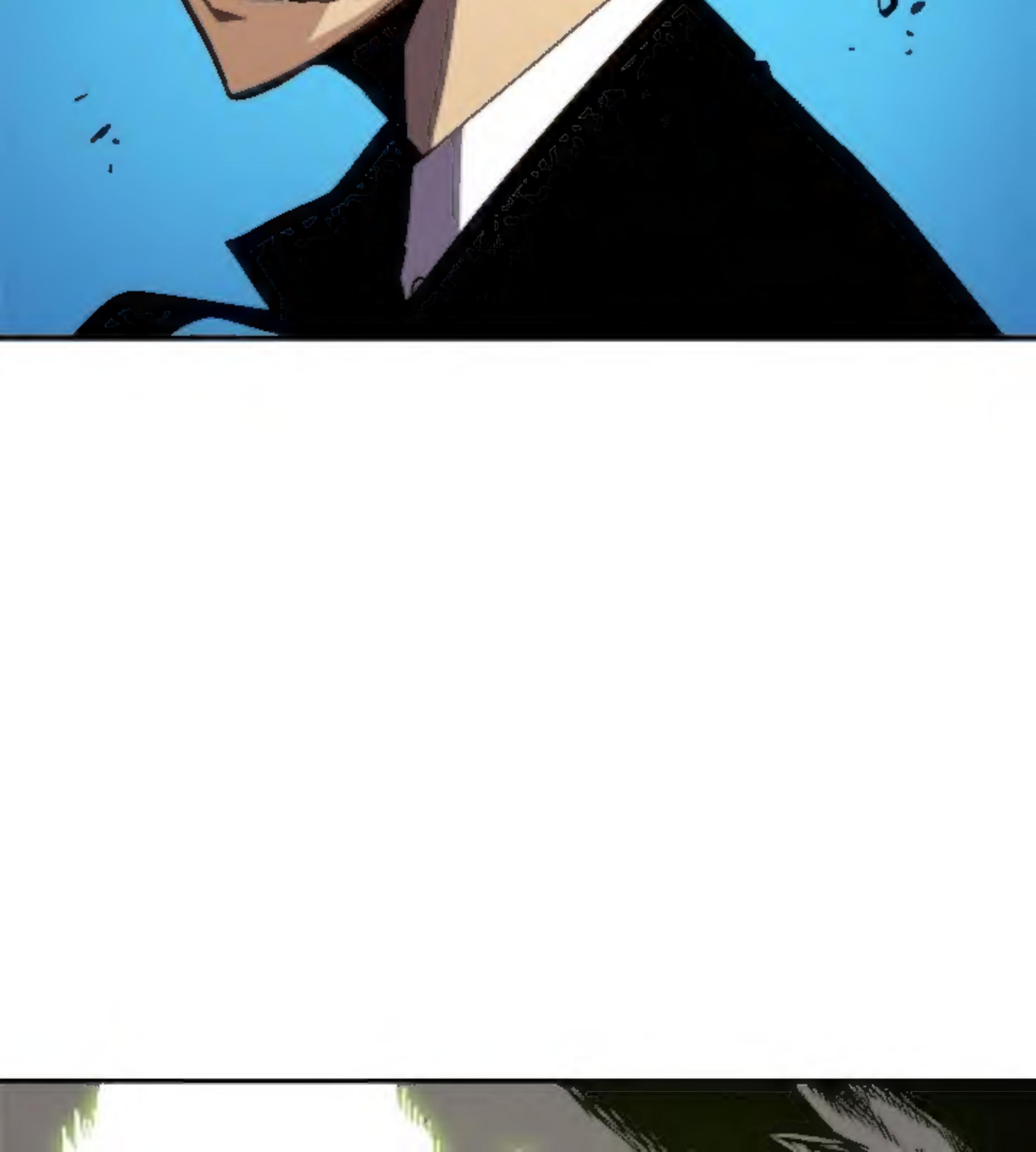




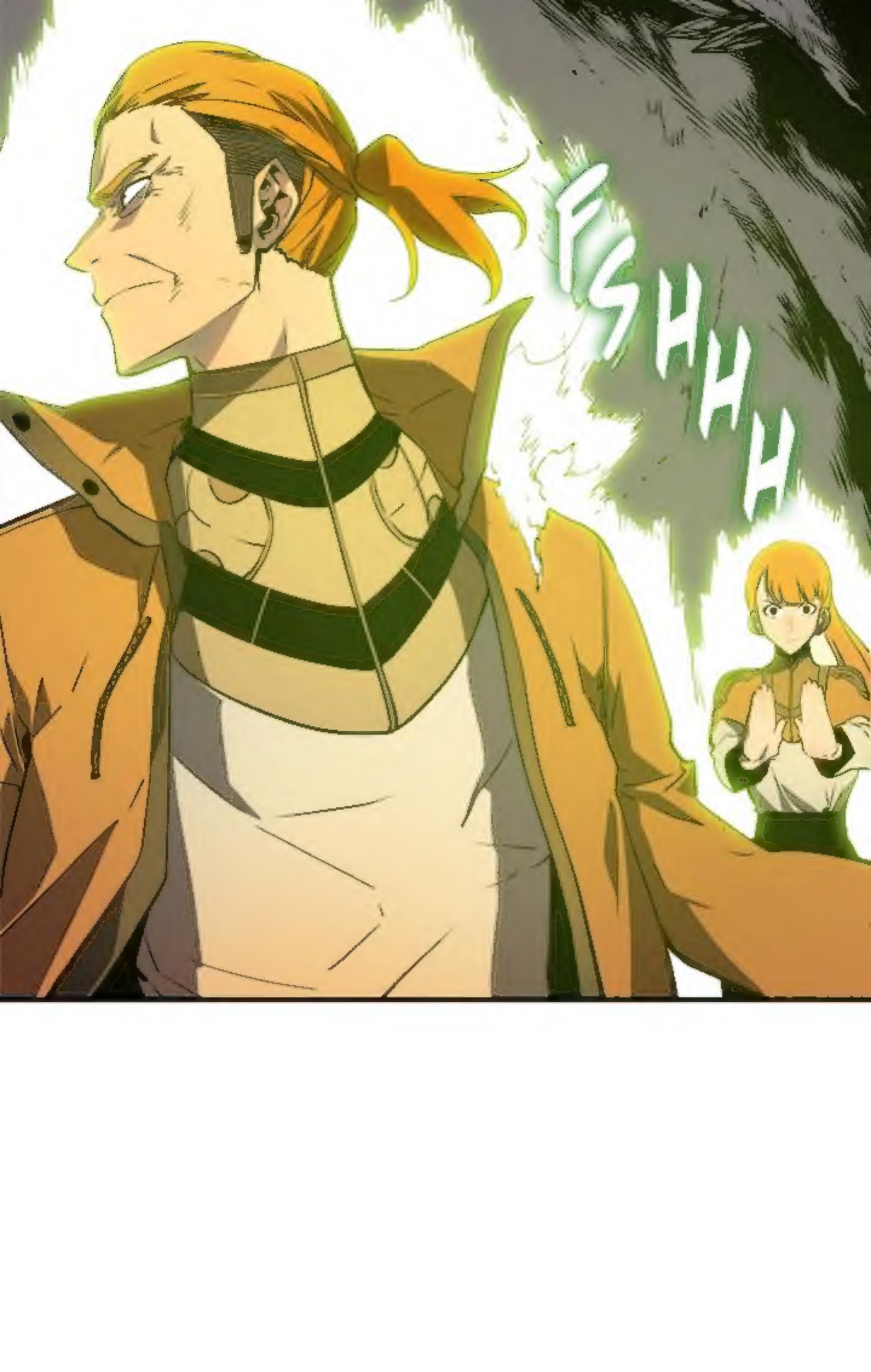
IMPRESSIVE.
YOU'RE FAST AND
PRECISE. I CAN SEE WHY
YOU CHOSE A SWORD
OVER YOUR MAGIC
ABILITIES.



BUT THAT'S
YOUR LIMIT.



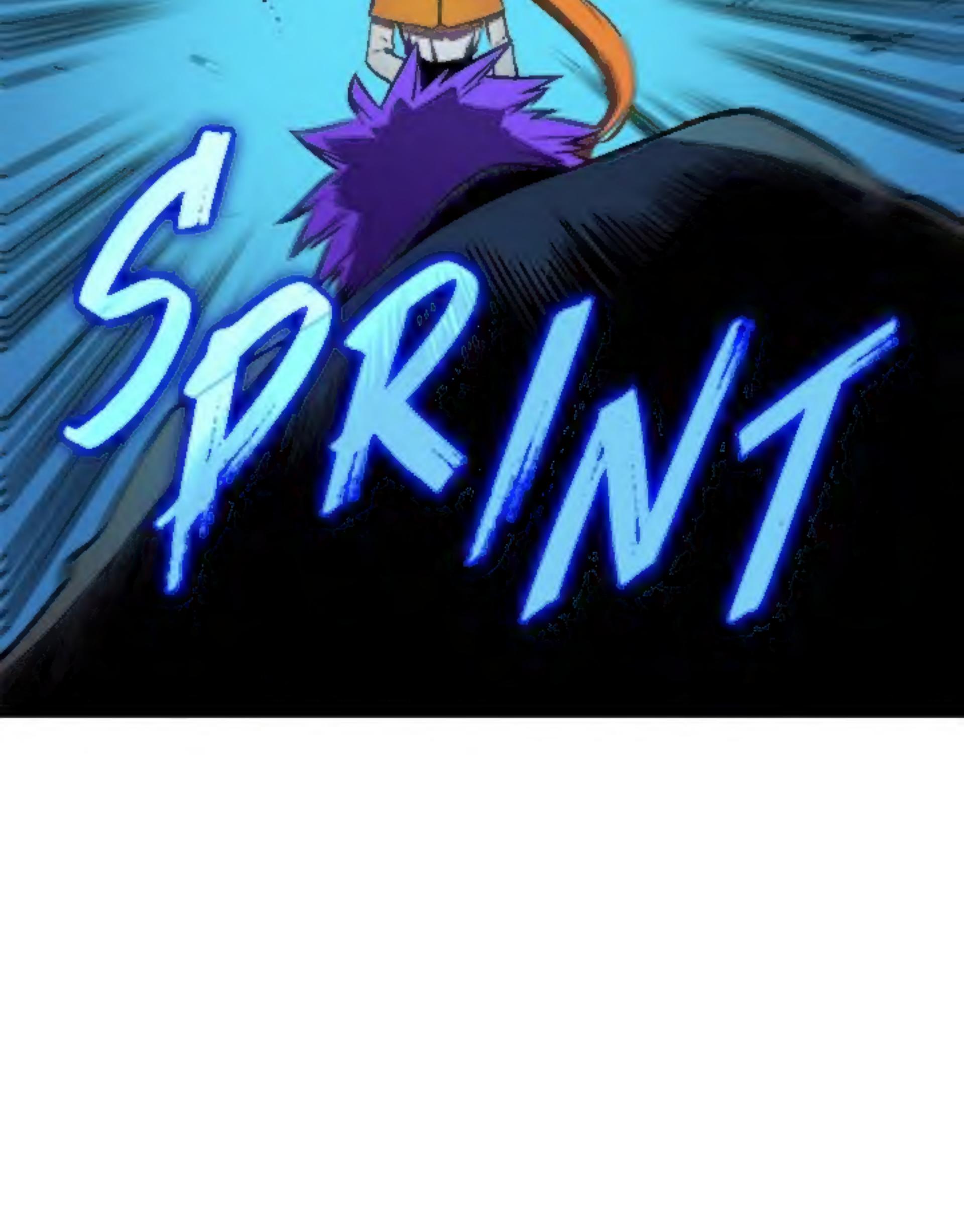
JUST THINK
ABOUT IT. THERE'S A
REASON WHY MAGE
SWORDSMEN DON'T
EXIST.



THAT HEALER IS GETTING
ON MY NERVES.



I CAN'T LET THIS BECOME
A FIGHT OF ENDURANCE.



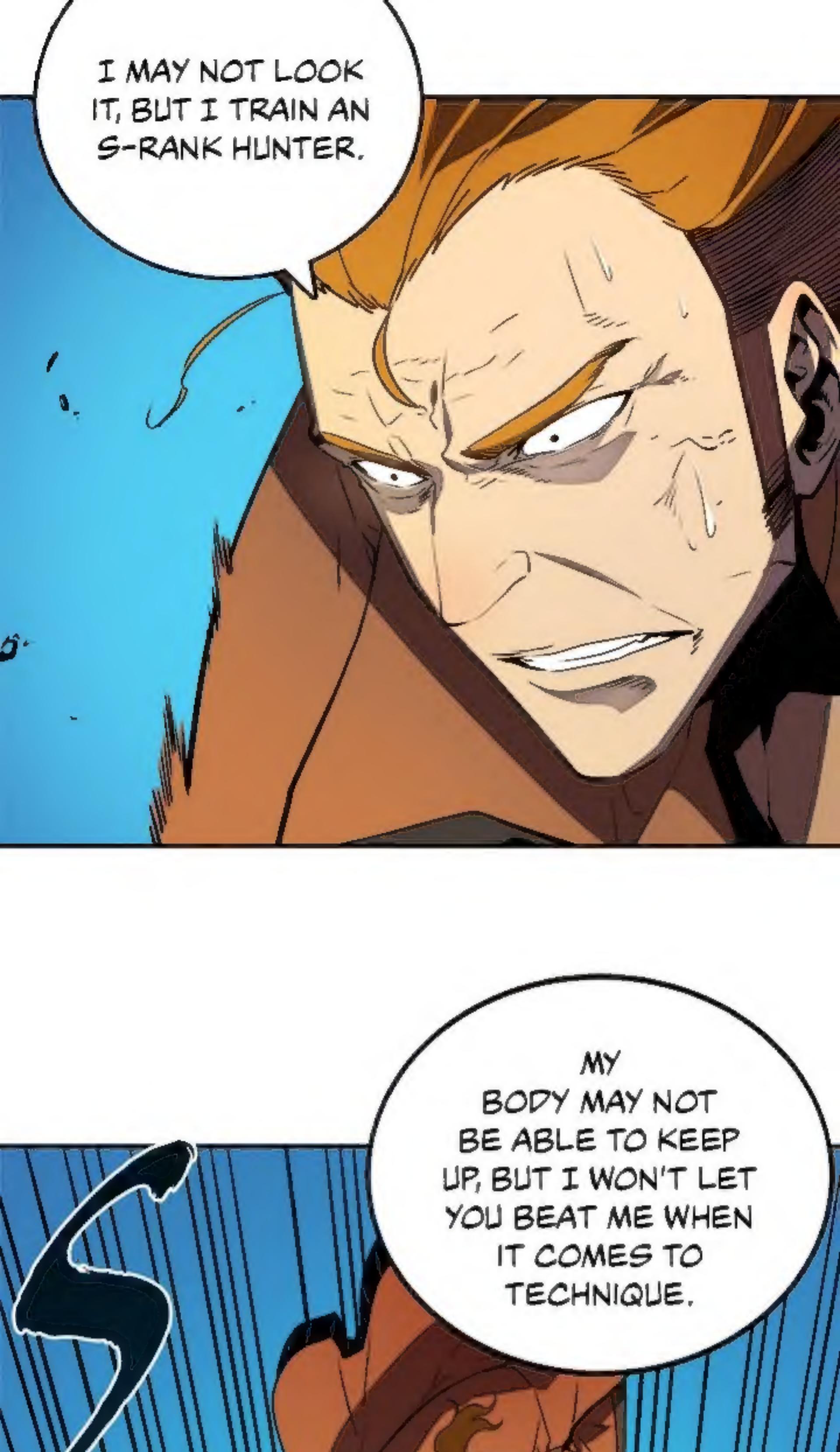
NEVER
TURN YOUR BACK
ON AN OPPONENT
WHO'S WIELDING
A SWORD.

YOU
UNDERESTIMATED
ME.

CLAW

NK

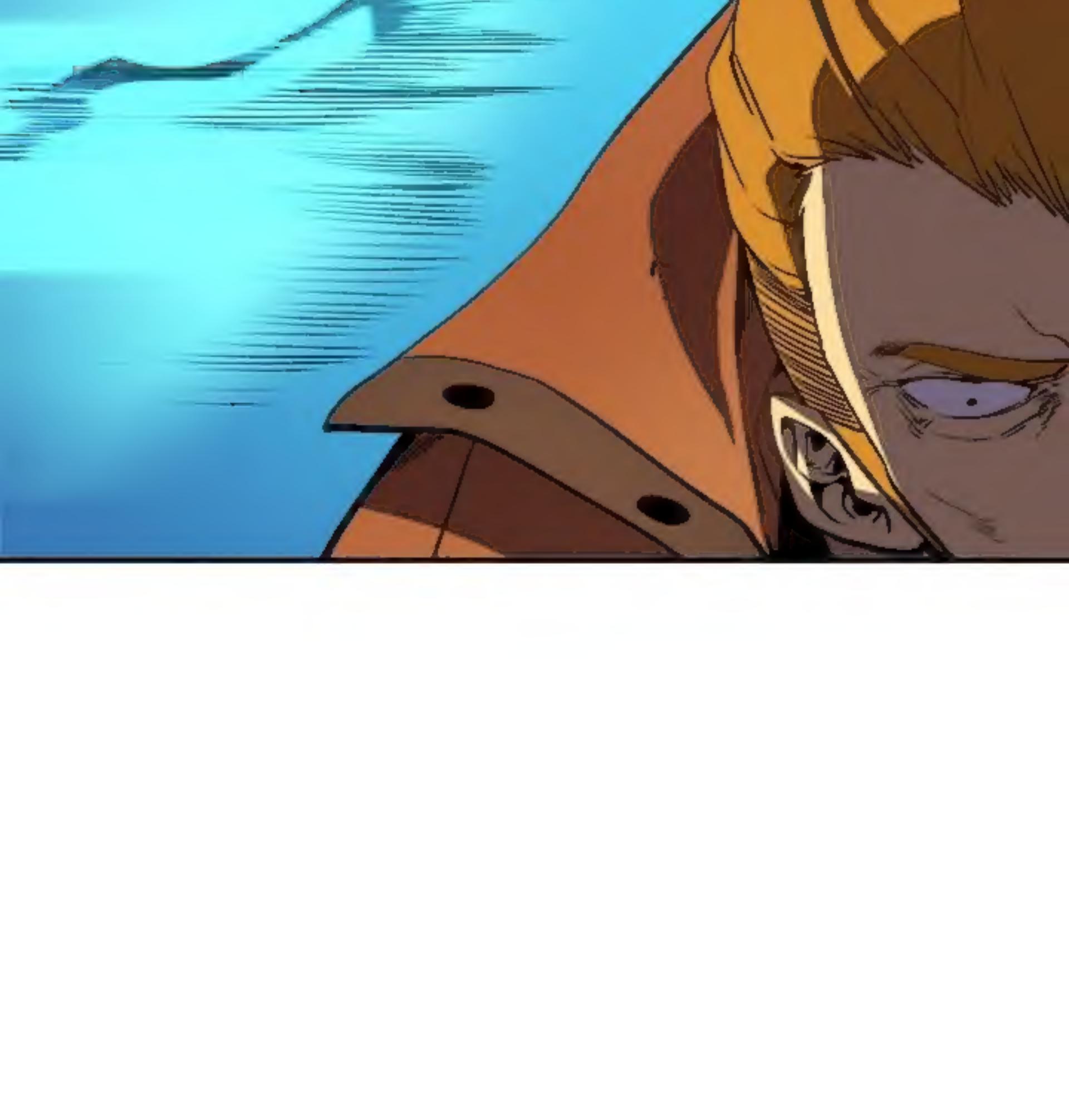
YOU'RE
DEFINITELY NOT
AN ORDINARY OLD
MAN, THAT'S FOR
SURE.



I MAY NOT LOOK
IT, BUT I TRAIN AN
S-RANK HUNTER.



MY
BODY MAY NOT
BE ABLE TO KEEP
UP, BUT I WON'T LET
YOU BEAT ME WHEN
IT COMES TO
TECHNIQUE.

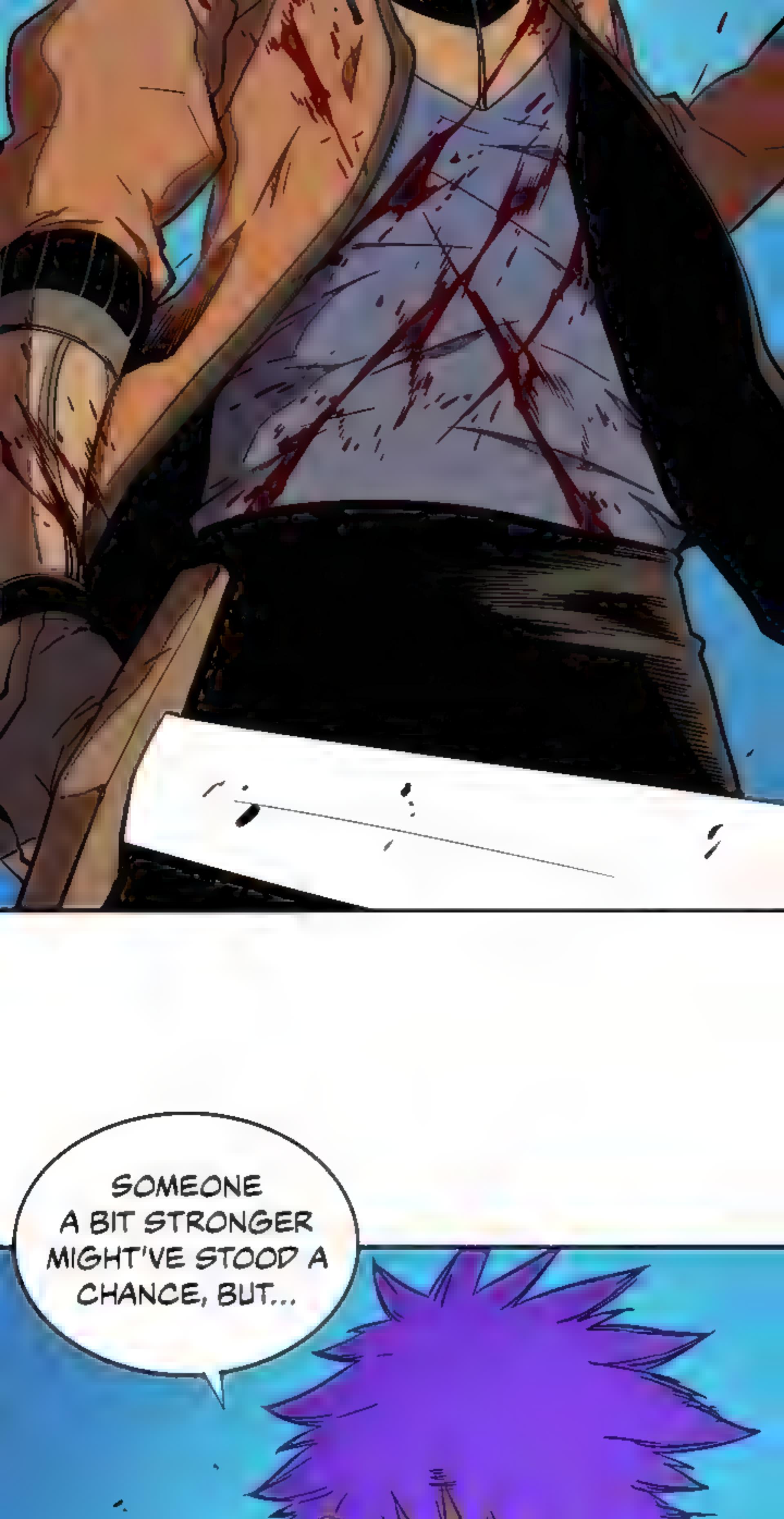


UNFORTUNATELY,
THERE'S A LIMIT TO
YOUR STRENGTH.

SWISH

DO YOU
REALLY THINK IT'S
POSSIBLE...





SOMEONE
A BIT STRONGER
MIGHT'VE STOOD A
CHANCE, BUT...

...I'M MUCH
HIGHER IN RANK
THAN YOU.

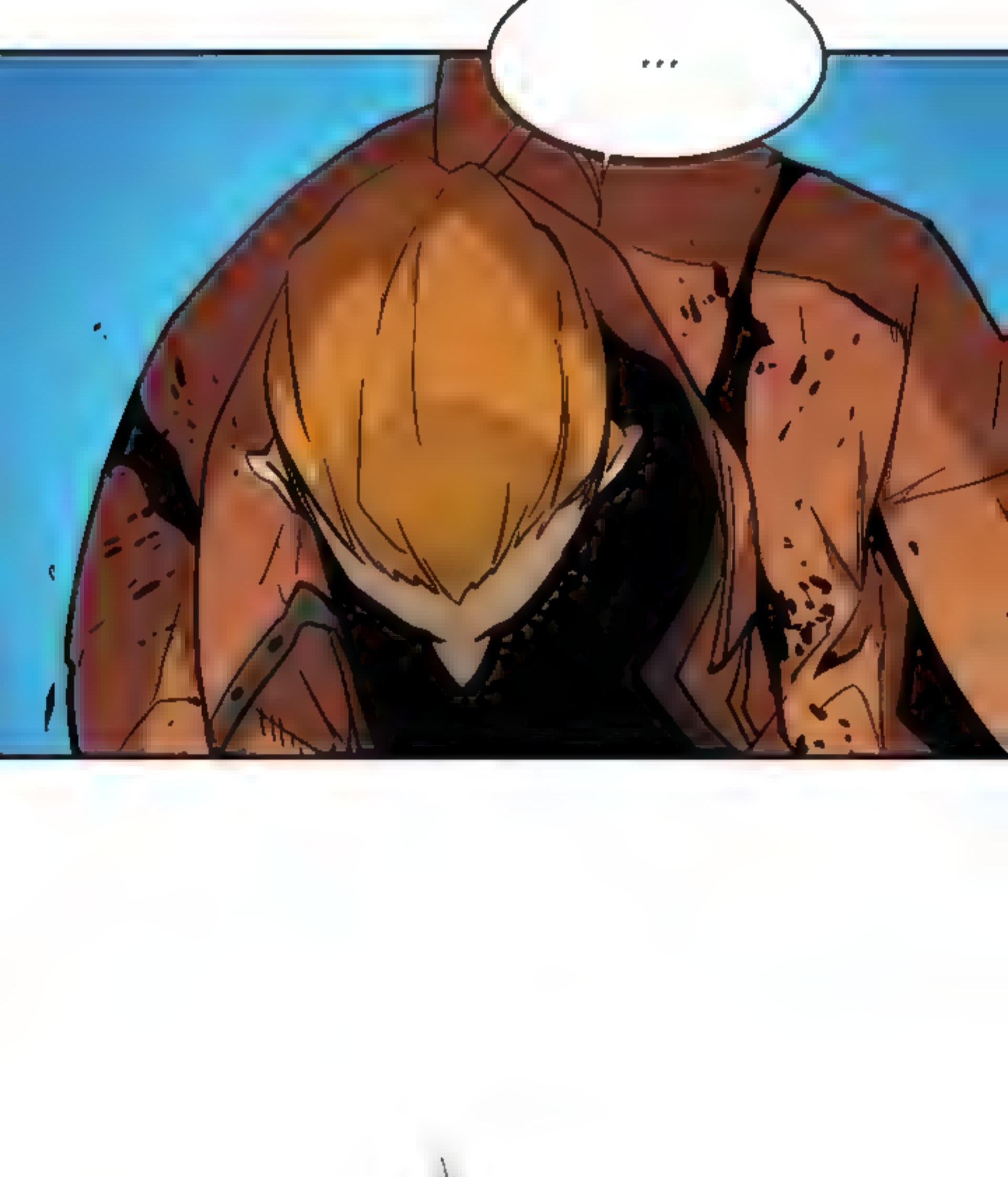
MAGE HUNTERS
LIKE YOU CAN'T EVEN
KEEP TRACK OF MY
MOVEMENTS.

MR. SONG!!

WOBBLE

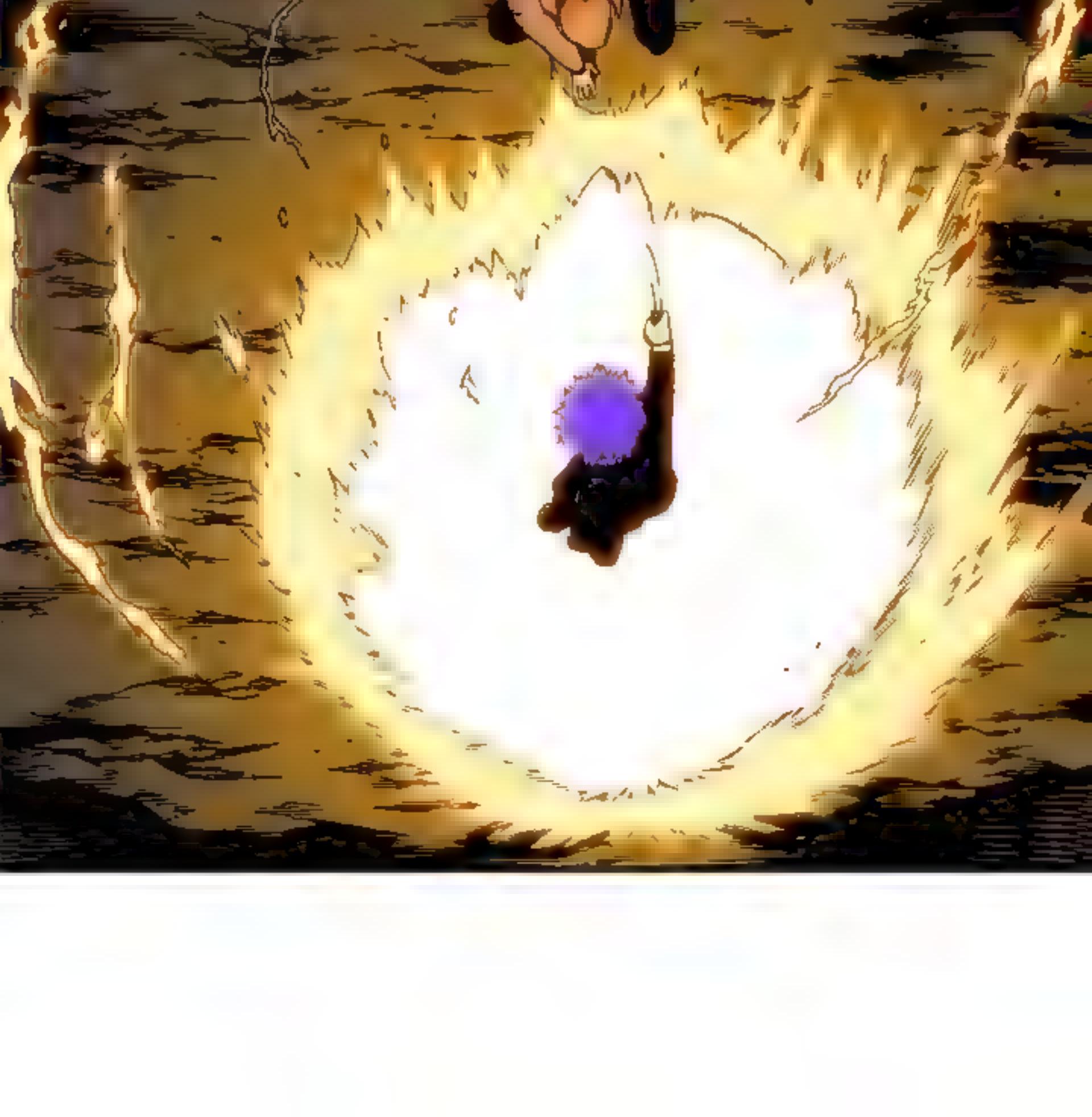
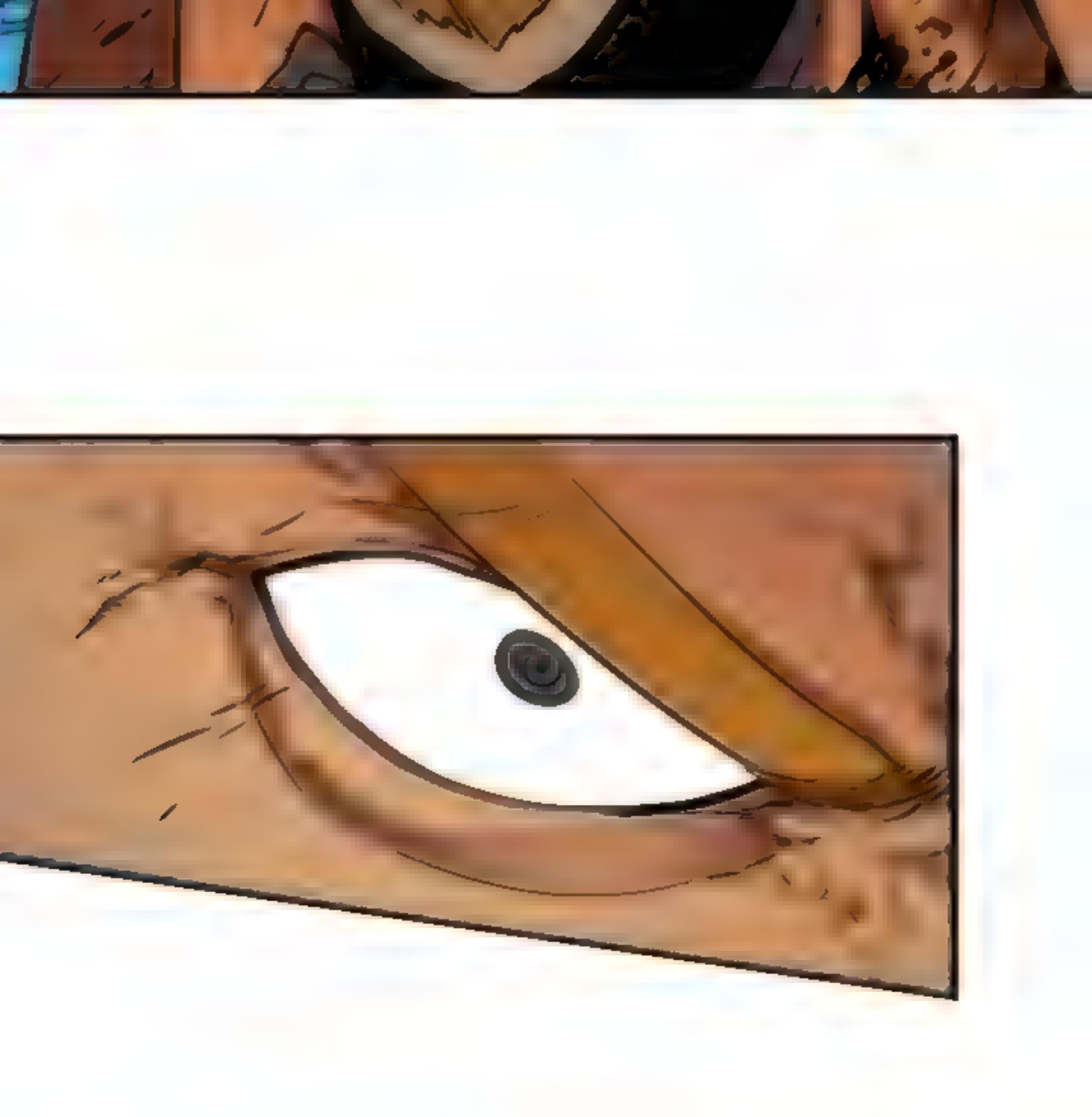


GOOD, THAT'S VERY
SMART OF YOU. SEEKS
YOU'VE REALIZED THAT
IT'S NO USE TRYING
TO FIGHT ME.



I'LL GIVE
YOU A QUICK
AND PAINLESS
DEATH!



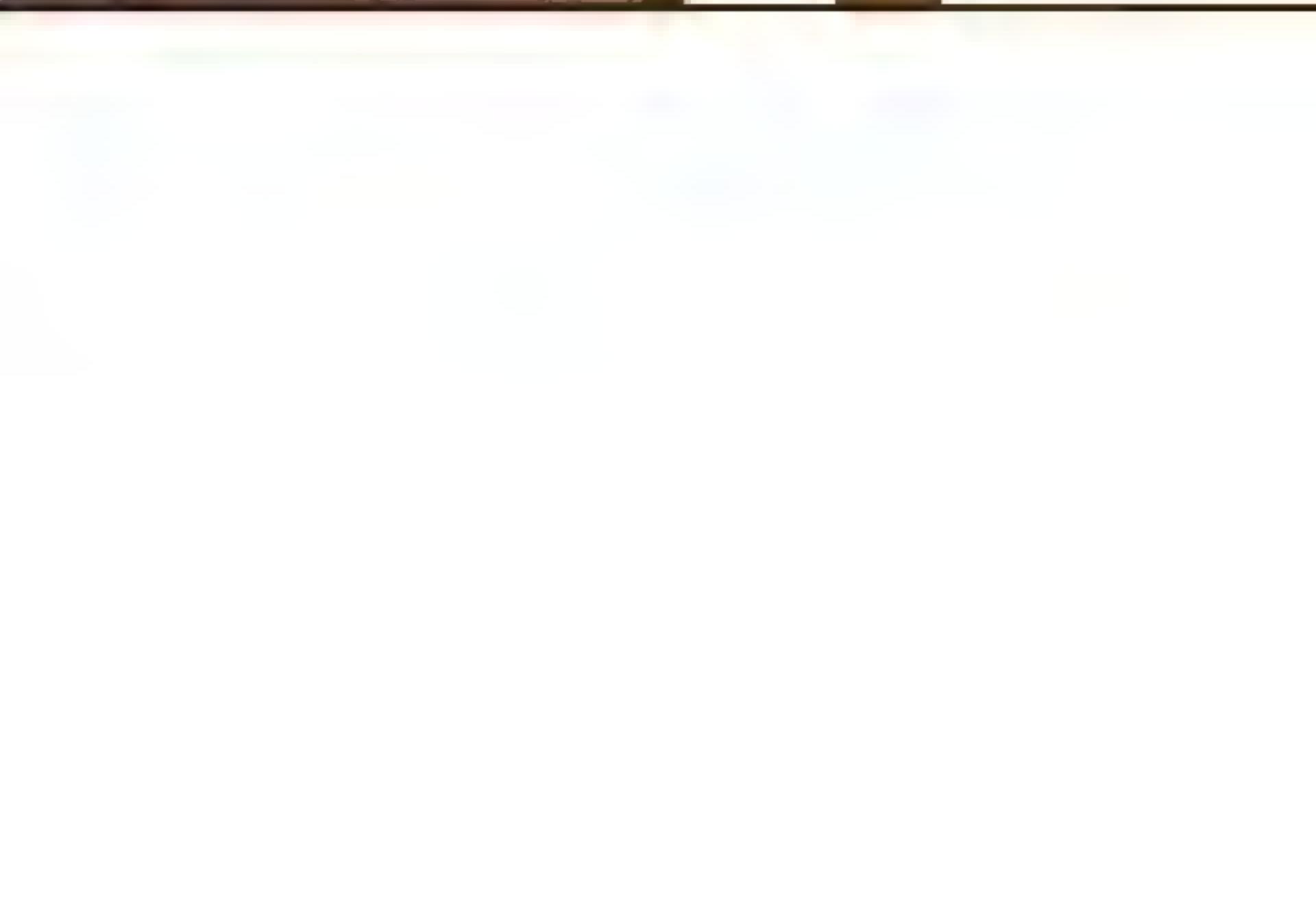




DID IT WORK...?



A MAGE
PRETENDING TO
BE A SWORDSMAN IN
ORDER TO DISTRACT
ME FROM HIS MAGIC
ABILITIES.



YOU
WAITED FOR ME TO
ATTACK SO THAT YOU
COULD UNLEASH YOUR
MAGIC ON ME AT THE
PERFECT MOMENT.

NOT A BAD
PLAN... YOU SLY
OLD SNAKE.

IS THIS...
THE END?

DIE





WHAT'S
YOUR RANK?



I'M SUNG
JINWOO.

AN E-RANK.

STEP



E-RANK,
YOU SAY?

PFFT...

YEAH,
RIGHT.



SUNG... HOW
DID YOU DO
THAT...?!



I GUESS IT'S
POSSIBLE FOR AN
E-RANKER TO HAVE SUCH
STRENGTH IF YOU'RE
A POWER-TYPE
HUNTER.

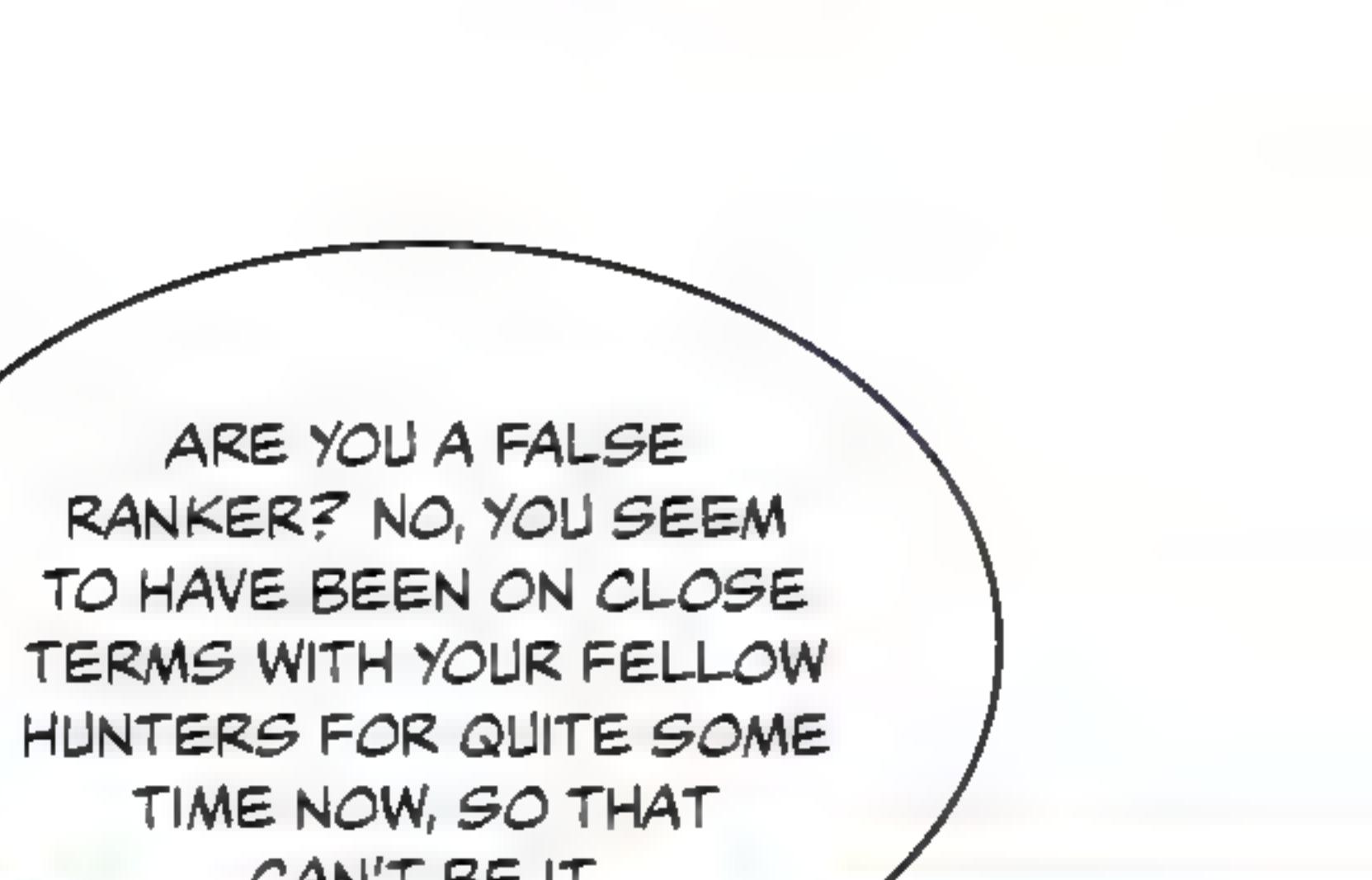
BUT JUDGING FROM
YOUR REFLEXES, I'M
PRETTY SURE YOU'RE
NOT JUST SOME
AVERAGE GUY.

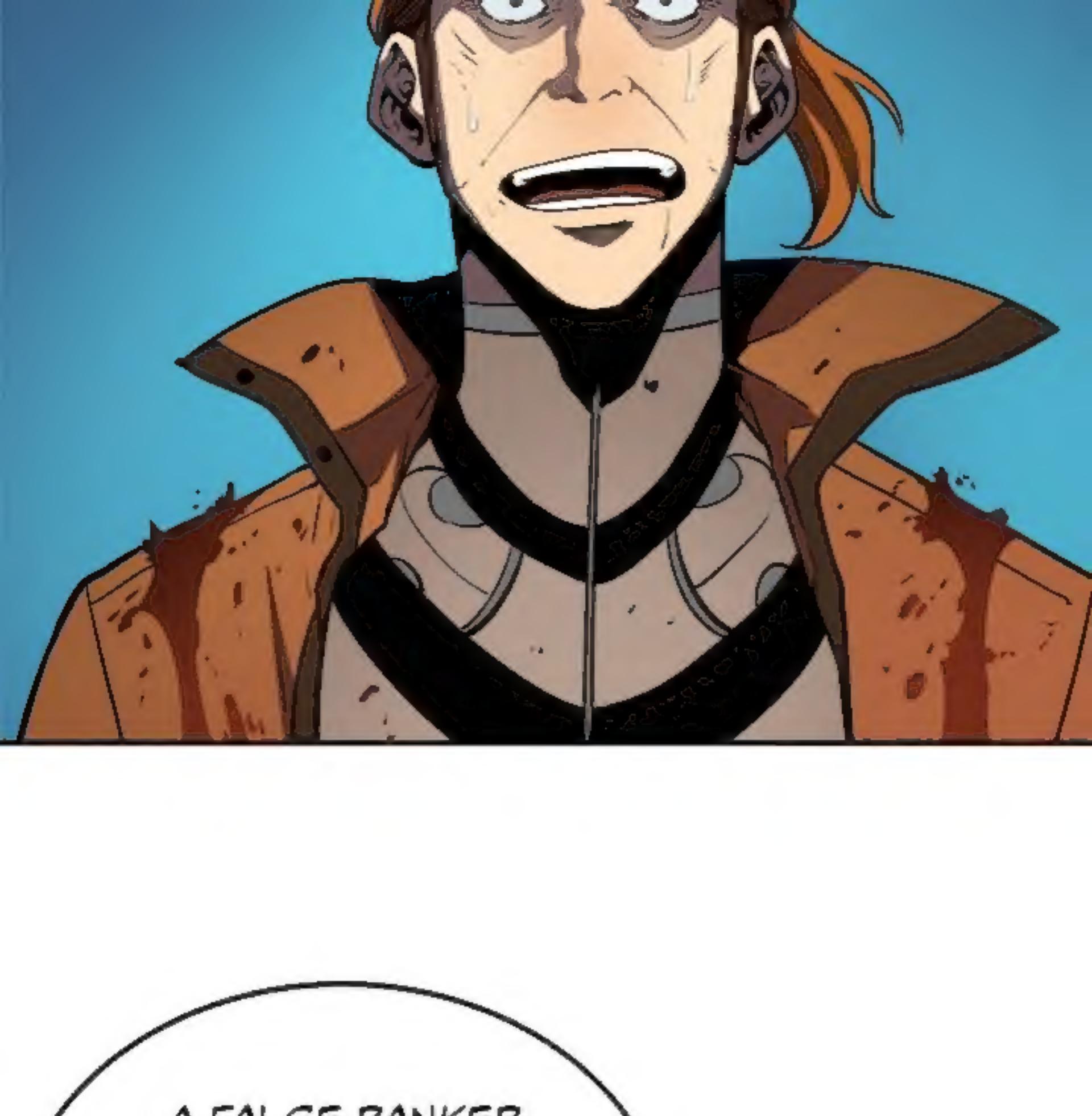
YOU MANAGED
TO BLOCK
MY ATTACKS
TWICE.

COULD IT
BE THAT YOU'RE
AN ASSASSIN
HUNTER?

NO, THIS HAS
NOTHING TO DO
WITH YOUR
CLASS.

YOU'VE
BEEN HIDING
YOUR TRUE
SKILLS.





A FALSE RANKER
WOULD NEVER SPARE
THE LIFE OF SOMEONE
WHO'S WITNESSED THEIR
TRUE POWERS. THAT
WOULD JUST BE
STUPID.



WHICH MEANS
THERE'S ONLY ONE
ANSWER.

YOU'VE BEEN
REAWAKENED.





SUNG?!



REAWAKENED?!



JUDGING FROM THEIR REACTIONS... LOOKS LIKE IT HASN'T BEEN LONG SINCE YOU'VE BEEN REAWAKENED.



HMM, I THINK MR. WOO JINCHUL RECENTLY WENT LOOKING FOR SOMEONE HE SUSPECTED OF REAWAKENING...



EITHER WAY, IT LOOKS LIKE YOU DON'T HAVE MUCH EXPERIENCE AS A HUNTER.



IN THAT CASE...



*...AS YOUR
SUPERIOR, LET
ME TEACH YOU
A LESSON OR
TWO.*

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